

ONE DRAWEACK TO A TOWN'S GROWTH.

No town will become a good business center so long as its business men rely on a few merchants to make the effort to bring trade to town. Too often the men in a few lines of trade are about the only ones that reach out after custom. Other merchants wait until these men induce the people to come and content themselves with trade that naturally drifts to their place. A public spirited man should ask himself if he is doing his part to attract people to come to town to trade in helping the entire business community, and no town is a success unless all lines are working to extend the trade as far as possible and trying to bring larger territory in the circles in which the town is the business center.—Rock Hill Herald.

Our contemporary's words are full of wisdom. Towns have been known to prosper and grow in spite of the failure of some of their business men to contribute anything toward their advancement, but such towns are exceptions to the rule. The material, moral and educational upbuilding of a community is indeed hard and laborious work where there is a lack of unanimity of action for the common good. There are, unfortunately, too many men in almost every town who are so intensely selfish that they are never known to lend a helping hand in any movement designed to promote the general welfare of the community. They invariably lag behind and allow others who may be imbued with public spirit to do all the work; but they are always careful to participate in any of the benefits which in a general way may reward the labors of their more enterprising and progressive fellow citizens. An ideal town is one in which every man cheerfully puts his shoulder to the wheel of progress. But there are comparatively few ideal towns in this country.

NEW USE FOR MUSK-RATS.

Our old friend J. Musk-rat Casey went out of the rodent raising business entirely too soon.—It will be recalled that some years ago, when he lived on Bear creek, near town, he operated a fine musk-rat farm, but he finally abandoned his unique enterprise because the then owners of the old Three O's railroad would not build a branch road up the creek bottom where he had his skins stacked well-nigh sky high. It was impracticable to get enough wagons to transport the hides to market—hence the abandonment of the business.

At that time, however, the pelts or hides alone had any market value. But conditions have greatly changed since then.—Now the meat, as well as the pelts, commands a good price.—According to the New York Times countless tons of musk-rats are annually eaten in that city and in Chicago. New York gets her supply from Chesapeake Bay, while Chicago's musk-rats are caught in the marshes of Lake Michigan. The carcasses of the little animals are shipped in barrels, about 200 to the barrel, and the profit of the shipper ranges from \$5 to \$10 a barrel. Among those engaged in the business mentioned by the Times

is a man named Mert Robbins, of Maryland, who ships a barrel of musk-rats a day. He cleared last year over \$3,000.

It appears that those who eat musk-rats do not know them by that name, as they appear on the bills of fare in the fashionable hotels and restaurants as "swamp rabbits," or "black ducks."—The meat of the musk-rat is very dark, and the Times says "its flavor is as delicious as a rabbit's." The musk-rat is served in different ways, boiled, fried or baked. Why he is not also served in soup is not stated.

Col. Springs spends much of his time in New York—wonder how he has his "swamp rabbits," or "black ducks" cooked.

AN APPRECIATED BOUQUET.

The following generous words are from our esteemed contemporary the Rock Hill Record:—

Brother Connors, of the Lancaster News, we take our hats off to you for the handsome way in which you have set yourself straight. The Record can take a joke all right, and we are not so serious all the time that we cannot make one now and then (as, for instance, about Col. Springs and the water wagon); but we are very jealous of the fair name and capabilities of of Rock Hill. Here's long life and prosperity to Lancaster and may Brother Connors "live long and prosper." Happy days.

Congressional Candidates to Speak Here, too, on 20th.

As published in a previous issue of The News, Senator Tillman will speak in Lancaster on the 20th instant. The candidates for Congress from this district will also speak here the same day.—A large crowd will no doubt greet the distinguished speakers.

Presbyterians Plan Summer Bible School.

Charlotte special in Atlanta Journal:—The committees of the Southern Presbyterian general assembly after spending some time at Montreat, a resort near Asheville, belonging to John S. Moyer, of New York, have agreed upon a plan for its purchase and development of the property. This includes the establishment of a summer school for Bible and theological study.

—Miss Mary Nance, president of the Rural School Improvement Society of South Carolina, will deliver an address this Tuesday, afternoon, at 5 o'clock, at auditorium. State Supt. of Education Martin is also expected to be present and to speak.

Mr. Samuel Leonard, of Gainesville, Fla., who has been visiting Mr. R. F. Turner of the Heath Springs section, will leave today for Jonesville, S. C., where he will spend a couple of days with friends before returning to Florida.

Martin Dixon, colored, was killed at Catawba Falls a few days ago, while coupling cars.

Senator Tillman says that he will not alter his campaign plans on account of the withdrawal of Lumpkin.

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Begins Saturday Morning, July 7th.

And will continue for TEN days. Unmatchable bargains will be offered in all departments of our store. We are determined to turn all summer goods into cash, and in order to do so we have made sweeping reductions on all goods. Read carefully the bargains as they are listed below, and don't forget the date, Saturday, July 7th—for ten days. Come and get your share.

SILK SPECIALS.

1 piece 36 inch Grey Taffeta, the kind that sells everywhere for 1.25, great clearance sale price 79c.

1 piece 36 inch Black Taffeta, guaranteed to wear and not split, sells everywhere for 1.39, great clearance sale price 89c.

SPECIAL IN SILK MULLS.

All our 35c silk mulls, comes in best colors, either plain or flowered, great clearance sale price 21c.

A few pieces 25c mull, special for this sale 17 1-2c.

WHITE GOODS.

We offer for this sale 10 pieces of White Goods in neat lace stripe, worth, and sells everywhere for 15 and 20c, special for this sale 9 1-2c.

Only 10 pieces of those 40 in. 15c White Lawns, for this sale at 10c.

COTTON VOILES.

All our 15c and 20c Cotton Voiles placed on counter and marked down to 10c yard.

FIGURED LAWNS.

1 case best 5c Lawn, for this sale 10 yards for 39c.

1 case 8 and 10c Batiste, special for this sale 5c yard.

A few pieces left of those flowered dotted Swisses, the 15 and 20c kind, to close out at 11c the yard.

COTTON GOODS SPECIALS.

8c Madras Gingham, clearance sale price 5c yard.

7 1-2c Apron Gingham, clearance sale price 4 7-8c.

Best American Shirting Prints at 4 7-8c.

Best 10c Mattress Tick, clearance sale price 7 1-2c.

Best 12 1-2c Mattress Tick, clearance sale price 9c.

Best 15c Feather Tick, sale price 11 1-2c.

Best 20c Feather Tick, sale price 14 1-2c.

LACE CURTAINS.

60c Lace Curtains, this sale 45c

90c " " " " 69c

1.25 " " " " 95c

1.50 " " " " 1.19

2.25 " " " " 1.69

TABLE LINENS.

1 lot mill end pieces, 2, 2 1-2, 3 and 5 yard lengths, sells in full bolt at 85c, special for this sale 49c the yard.

1 piece all pure Linen, cannot be matched for less than 1.25, clearance sale price 79c.

BROWN LINENS.

10 pieces Brown Linen, special for this sale 10c the yard. Enough said.

LADIES' MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

We have just received a new lot for this sale, the grandest line we have ever shown and at prices unheard of.

SILK PETTICOATS.

1 lot special for this sale, cannot be matched for less than 7.00, clearance sale price 4 95.

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

Our Notion department is full of good things for this sale.

Good Pearl Buttons for this sale 2c card.

All pure linen Handkerchiefs, this sale 4c each.

Ladies White Duck Belts, sale price 10c.

Ladies Persian Belts, sale price 10c.

Ladies Lace Hose 15c, two for 25c.

Ladies and Misses Girdles, for this sale 24c.

Best finishing Braids, this sale 4c bunch.

Men's 40c Under Vests, sale price 24c.

MILLINERY.

We have a few things left in millinery. Come and make us an offer and you have bought a Hat.

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING.

We have cut the price on all Clothing and will make you a price that will enable us to sell you a suit.

Special 15.00 Blue Serge Suit, never been sold for less than 12.50, clearance sale price 11.00.

Only 10 of those 3.00 Blue Serge Coats, for this sale at 2.20 each.

MEN'S AND BOYS' STRAW HATS.

The goods must be sold regardless of the cost, so come and make us a price and buy a Hat.

Let everybody attend this sale, for it means a great saving to you. Remember the date—Saturday, July 7th—for ten days.

The Bargain Giver

E. E. CLOUD

Notice.

Pursuant to a commission issued by the Secretary of State the books of subscription of the Cash Buyers' Union will be open until 2 o'clock p. m., Saturday, July 14th, 1906, at the Lancaster Cotton Mill Hall.

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